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For: "NUCLEIC ACIDS OF THE M ANTIGEN)
GENE OF *HISTOPLASMA CAPSULATUM*,)
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METHODS AND KITS FOR DETECTING)
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Sir:

This is in response to the February 21, 2003 Communication forwarding a Notice to Comply With Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures. A copy of the Notice is enclosed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid specific to *Histoplasma capsulatum* comprising:

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